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1. On 19 September 1950, the Kwangtung military command ordered all Chinese Communist Army units in Kwangtung to start an emergency curfew.¹
2. Around 19 September, the Chinese Communists commandeered the majority of ships in Canton, Swatow, and Chanchiang (109-49, 22-54) to load troops for a patrol of the Kwangtung coast.²
3. On 17 September, the Chinese Communist Air Raid Precaution Headquarters in Canton sent 200 men to dig 20 dugouts at the foot of White Cloud Mountain. At the same time, repairs were begun on all dugouts in Canton, and the excavation of dugouts near all public offices was ordered.³
4. Between 15 and 28 September, Chinese Communist troops stationed at Tungshih (118-29, 24-38) and Shihching (118-24, 24-37) staged amphibious warfare exercises daily, using 200 motor junks equipped with one small cannon and one machine gun each.⁴
5. On 17 September, 37 former German Air Force personnel arrived at Tienho airfield from Manchuria. All wore Chinese Communist Air Force uniforms with an "IV" insignia at the top of the left breast pocket. On 22 September all of them left Canton for Hainan Island.⁵
6. In mid-September, 20 Japanese technicians were staying at the old fortress garrison headquarters, Chungshan (中山) Road, Yulin, Hainan. These Japanese are supervising the building of a naval dockyard near Hungsha (紅沙) and Anyu (安遠). About 200 civilian laborers were recruited to move building materials to the area.⁶
7. In mid-September, a Special Seashore Artillery Squadron of the Chinese Communist 41 Army, including 75 Japanese gunners, was stationed in Yulin. The commanding officer was Captain YAMAOTO Oichi, a Japanese from Nagoya.⁷

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1. [REDACTED] reports of other emergency measures taken in Kwangtung in September.

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2. [REDACTED] for other reports on the commandeering of ships and the transporting of troops in Kwangtung recently.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] for a report on anti-aircraft activities in the Canton area.

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4. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] paragraph 7, for a previous report of amphibious warfare training in Fukien.

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5. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] for previous reports on German air personnel in China.

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6. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] for previous reports on naval construction on Hainan.

7. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] paragraph 4, for a recent report on a Japanese artillery regiment in Manchuria.

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